

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Title:	<b>OPTIMIZED PRIMITIVE FILLER</b>		

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed February 17, 2006, and the Advisory Action mailed May 24, 2006 for the above-identified patent application, Applicants file a Request for Continued Examination and respond as follows and also resubmit the IDS filed on May 17, 2006, for consideration:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 11 of this paper and include a replacement sheet.

**Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.